मीना चाहिए अथवा दूध सिर्फ अमीर लोगों के लिए है, अतः सरकार को राष्ट्रीय पोषक प्रबोधन ब्यूरो हैदराबाद द्वारा किए गए सर्वेक्षणों के आधार पर दिए गए निषकर्षों के संबंध में प्रतिक्रिया व्यक्त करने की कोई आवश्यकता नहीं है ।

(घ) जी, नहीं ।

Import of Phosphoric Acid

2564. SHRI K. MOHANAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is one of the World's biggest buyers of phosphoric acid, whose demand may rise to 2.5 million tonnes by 1987-88;

(b) whether the present import of the phosphoric acid in liquid form is about 1.50 million tonnes;

(c) whether the said imports are being made on free on board basis;

(d) if so, what is the total quantity of this liquid imported on free on board during the last three years; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) India is one of the major importers of phosphoric acid in the world. The anticipated demand by 1988 would be about 2.4 million tonnes of solution.

(b) The present imports of phosphoric acid in liquid form is about 1.4 million tonnes.

(c) and (d) Only smaller quantities have been imported, on occasions, on f.o.b. basis.

(e) Phosphoric acid is purchased on the basis of long term quantity contracts. Phosphoric acid requires special carriers. When these contracts were entered into no Indian shipping capacity capable of carrying Phosphoric acid was available. It was only in 1983 that one such Indian vessel became available. Recently, in the latter half of 1985 another vessel has been acquired. Both ships have been provided with adequate cargo. The policy of the Government is to give first preference to Indian carriers of Phosphoric acid. As part of this policy, whenever long-term contracts come up for renewal or new contracts are negotiated, f.o.b. basis., is to be adopted so far as Government| Government Controlled cargo is concerned In other cases also, quotations are invited on f.o.b. as well as c.i.f. basis to ensure maximum use of Indian carriers of Phosphoric acid.

खाद्य पदार्थों का संसाधन के दौरान बरबाद होना

2565. **श्री अश्विनी कुमार :**
श्री लालकृष्ण आडवाणी :
श्री शंकर सिंह वाघेला :

क्या **खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 6 अक्तूबर, 1985 के "टाइम्स आफ इण्डिया" में प्रकाशित इस आशय के समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है कि गत 5 अक्तूबर को चण्डीगढ़ में आयोजित तथा पंजाब के राज्यपाल द्वारा उद्घाटित मैकेनिकल इंजीनियर्स के राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन में यह बताया गया कि प्रोसेसिंग भंडारण और परिवहन के पुराने तरीकों के कारण लगभग 30 प्रतिशित संसाधित खाद्य पदार्थ बरबाद हो जाता है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार सम्मेलन में की गई टिप्पणियों के संबध में क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है ?

खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० पी० सिंह देव) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है ।

Contract signed with Independent Television Company

2566. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the terms, conditions, periods, and other details of the contract